

David J. Bentz III Scholarship Fund

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The David J. Bentz III Memorial Scholarship

The David J. Bentz III Scholarship Fund is proud to offer our first memorial scholarship. This year the Scholarship Fund will be awarding \$2,000 to Austin Toque, a young man who was nominated by his coaches because of the attributes he possesses and exhibits. As an athlete Austin showed the dedication and commitment to work in a team environment. Academically, Austin displayed a determination to succeed and flourished by knowing how to listen and learn from his peers, coaches and teachers.

Education is something that touches all of us in some way. For most of us, education is the vehicle which will take us to where we want to go. Although DJ was not the best student he showed tremendous fortitude and determination in the many venues of his life. It is through these two attributes that inspired DJ to forge ahead and begin a career that would help him achieve the things that were important to him.

Today, you are the one who has been selected to “forge” ahead and embark upon a journey that will allow you to achieve what is important for you. Because it is young men like you who will make a difference for yourself, your family and our country’s future. As DJ wrote, “Stand up and fight for yourself, cause I’m doin it right here”. Make DJ proud and take advantage of the opportunities that you have been given.

I want to congratulate you on receiving our first award. DJ’s legacy begins with you! You are the measuring stick by which all others will be judged. Make your loved ones proud and enjoy your journey. It is our hope that you too will be determined to make a difference... just as DJ did.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I genuinely congratulate you on this award.

Sincerely,

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3rd Infantry “Rock of the Marne”